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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCE's (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted  
i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)  
ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
iii.  Other  
b.  Enclosed  
i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv.  Other

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 6 months. Extension 37 CFR 1.17(e) required)  
b.  Other

**3. Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.  
i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)      | 11/17/2004 GWORDDF1 00000020 501687 09578437  
ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)      | 01 FC:2801 10.00 DA 385.00 OP  
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